

My Puget Sound Development and Maintenance Questions and Answers

RFP #2012-21

If a firm wanted to submit to the RFP with Kentico as the CMS instead of Joomla and can stay within the 25K estimation, will the organization be open to such and provide valid consideration for the bid? Keep in mind the 24x7 is part of the licensing and you get free upgrades to the CMS vs otherwise but there is migration from Joomla initially. I am reaching out because I do have development partners interested, but don't want them to waste their time if it is not a consideration.

We have already developed the MyPugetSound.net site with the Joomla CMS. For this RFP the Partnership is specifically looking for a service provider that is familiar with Joomla and can help us with our existing site.

2. The proposal due date in the RFP document is 9/16. The close date in the WEBS system is 9/12. Which is correct?

Questions are due today, the proposals are due 9/16. The date on the RFP is correct.

3. Was the existing website (www.mypugetsound.net) developed by Puget Sound Partnership's in-house IT team?

The existing site was developed by a contractor, but it is currently housed on our servers and maintained by staff.

4. Is there an incumbent vendor for this project?

There is no vendor currently on contract for this project.

5. Which development/database technologies does the existing site use and do you want to continue using them?

Yes, we intend to continue using our current PHP (Joomla), Apache (prefork mode) with MYSQL database backend running on a HP Proliant DL380 G6.

6. Section 3.2B requests a detailed work plan, including "all project requirements and the proposed tasks, services, activities, etc." Has your team completed a preliminary needs

assessment? If so, what are the findings? Can you be more specific about the fixes and enhancements that are needed?

We are looking for maintenance support for example (and not limited to) system speed and performance, security updates, back-ups, broken modules, and user feedback complaints. As well as refining some of the current system tasks to preform better. For example: Daily notification emails -correcting the system to only send out emails if there is new information, Increasing the ease of adding and updating Events, working within a group and the connection between a "Group" and a "Project Team". The system refining may include custom development time or new module integrations based on group assessment of the problem. Also this may include light integration assistance between MyPugetSound.net and PugetSoundStartsHere.org / psp.wa.gov particularly with events, documents and organizational listings. I encourage you to look around the system. A full list of needs will be available at the Kick Off Meeting.

7. For example there is no driving involved with us delivering this service. Could the following insurance be waived.

Business Auto Policy: As applicable, the Contractor shall maintain business auto liability and, if necessary, commercial umbrella liability insurance with a limit not less than \$1,000,000 per accident. Such insurance shall cover liability arising out of "Any Auto." Business auto coverage shall be written on ISO form CA 00 01, 1990 or later edition, or substitute liability form providing equivalent coverage.

The language needs to remain in the contract per state requirements.

8. Is there flexibility for using an alternative hosting environment perhaps in a cloud space if it were proven that it could improve the performance of the platform?

That might be a possibility if a case can be made for short and long term cost savings to the agency without taking away from the necessary maintenance and system clarifications tasks we need to accomplish with this funding.

9. XXX, can you tell me what is up with this?

Subject: WEBS - Solicitation cancellation notice

There was a incorrect date on WEBS. The request should be back online soon with the correct due date of 9/16.